



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 963

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**AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL
ISSUES RELATING TO MANUFACTURING.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The State Board of
2 Education, upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue an initial
3 educator certificate, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-
4 145b of the general statutes, to any applicant in the certification
5 endorsement area of occupational subjects in vocational-technical
6 schools who completes five years of experience in the field for which
7 such certificate is to be endorsed, including, but not limited to, five
8 years of apprenticeship or specialized schooling.

9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2017*) (a) Not later than July 1,
10 2018, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall,
11 in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, issue a notice of
12 intent to adopt regulations fully consistent with the Hazardous Waste
13 Generator Improvements Rule, as published in the Federal Register of
14 November 28, 2016, except for any proposed modifications deemed
15 necessary by the commissioner, in accordance with subsection (h) of
16 section 22a-6 of the general statutes.

17 (b) If the commissioner is unable to fully comply with the provisions
18 of subsection (a) of this section before July 1, 2018, the Hazardous

19 Waste Generator Improvements Rule described in subsection (a) of this
20 section shall be the standard pertaining to hazardous waste generators
21 in the state until the commissioner adopts regulations as described in
22 said subsection (a).

23 Sec. 3. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than January 1, 2018, the
24 Board of Regents for Higher Education shall develop a plan to (1)
25 expand the number of evening, weekend and online courses offered
26 under programs at Central Connecticut State University granting the
27 degrees or certifications required for faculty of manufacturing
28 program courses in the regional community-technical college system;
29 (2) develop and offer such programs at Charter Oak State College; and
30 (3) offer online courses in the field of mechatronics at Central
31 Connecticut State University and the regional community-technical
32 college system.

33 (b) Not later than January 1, 2018, the board shall submit such plan
34 and any recommendations for legislation relating to such plan to the
35 joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance
36 of matters relating to commerce and higher education, in accordance
37 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

38 Sec. 4. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The chairpersons of the joint
39 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
40 matters relating to commerce shall appoint and convene a working
41 group to develop a program to train inmates in the custody of the
42 Commissioner of Correction for jobs in the manufacturing field.

43 (b) Appointments to the working group shall include, but need not
44 be limited to, a manufacturing instructor employed by a college or
45 university, a person who has experience providing job training to
46 inmates, a manufacturing teacher employed at a technical high school,
47 a representative of an association of manufacturers, an owner or
48 manager of a manufacturing company with fewer than one hundred
49 employees, an owner or manager of a manufacturing company with
50 more than one hundred employees, a representative of a private

51 educational institution with a manufacturing program, the
 52 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the
 53 commissioner's designee, the Labor Commissioner, or the
 54 commissioner's designee, and the Commissioner of Correction, or the
 55 commissioner's designee. All appointments to the working group shall
 56 be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this
 57 section.

58 (c) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General
 59 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce shall
 60 select the chairperson of the working group. The chairperson of the
 61 working group shall schedule the first meeting of the working group,
 62 which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of
 63 this section.

64 (d) Not later than January 15, 2018, the working group shall submit
 65 legislative recommendations to implement the program developed
 66 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the joint standing
 67 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
 68 relating to commerce, labor and the judiciary, in accordance with the
 69 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group
 70 shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 15,
 71 2018, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	New section

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